

# 21<sup>ST</sup> CSH Deployment Brief



### **AGENDA**



- Introduction
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- Mission
- Task Organization
- Key Personnel
- Timeline
- Life In New Orleans
  - Deployment Parameters
  - Prospering During Deployment
- Rear Operations
- FRG
- Questions / Concerns



### 21st Combat Support Hospital



Accomplish the Mission

Take Care of Soldiers

Take Care of Families



### **Current Situation**



Hurricane Katrina caused extensive and severe damage over the southeastern United States, including Louisiana's largest city, New Orleans, on August 29, 2005. Federal disaster declarations blanketed 90,000 square miles (233,000 km<sup>2</sup>) of the United States. It is likely that Katrina will be classified as the worst natural disaster to hit the United States to date. The breaching of some levees protecting New Orleans caused water to flow unabated into the city. Approximately 200,000 homes were underwater in New Orleans. Katrina may be the deadliest hurricane in the United States since the Galveston Hurricane of 1900, which killed around 8,000 (possibly up to 12,000) people. Over half of all hospital beds in Louisiana were located in New Orleans before the hurricane. Most of the hospitals are located in the center of the city and were damaged or flooded as a result of the disaster. **Numerous nursing** homes, assisted and independent living facilities were also located in the flooded area placing their population at risk because of the lack of utilities, sewage and water. Public Health concerns include environmental hazards, sewage, and refuge, the lack of potable water, and access to care



**Soldiers** 

### 21st CSH



### **Deployed Mission**

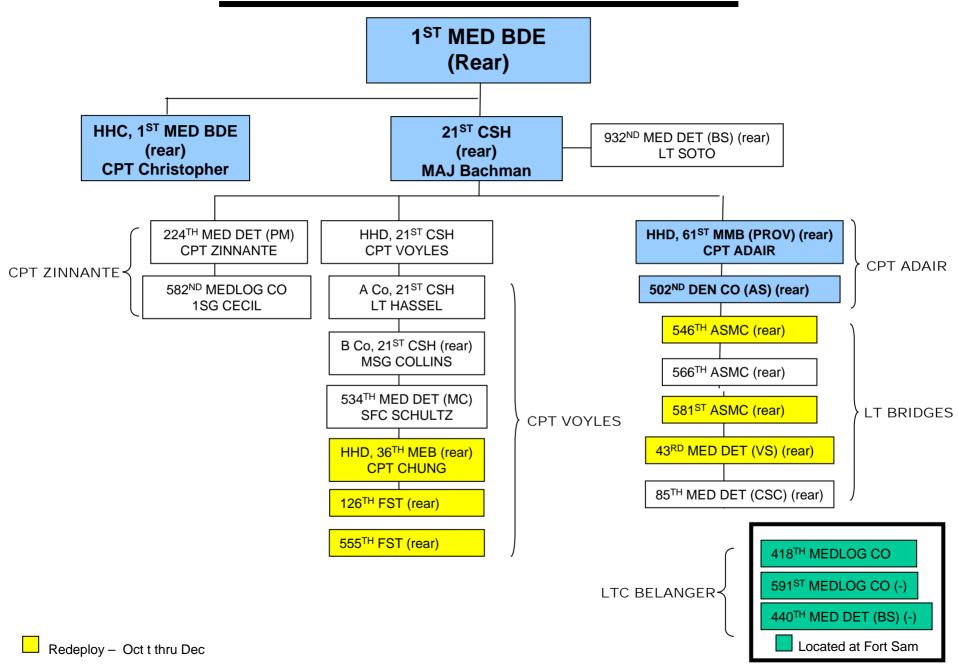
The 21st Combat Support Hospital (-) deploys to New Orleans and conducts TOA with 14<sup>th</sup> CSH NLT 15 October 2005 IOT provide temporary acute emergency Level III care to the civilian and military personnel in support of the repopulation of the Greater New Orleans area.

### **Rear Operations Mission**

21st CSH Rear Operations provides command & control and oversight of training, USR, QTB, maintenance, logistics, deployment/redeployment, FRG, administrative actions to all units as task organized.



### **Command & Control**





### Personnel – 21<sup>st</sup>



### Personnel

- Rear Operations Commander MAJ Barbara Bachman
- Rear Operations CSM 1SG Mia Barnes

#### **Rear Operations Leadership**

•HHD Rear Ops: CPT Voyles / SFC Mendoza

S1: SFC Jackson-Butler

S2/3: MAJ Bass and SFC Graddick

S4: SFC Makanjuola

S6: SGT Landis and SGT Terry

BMO: CW3 Egans

•A Co Rear Ops: 2LT Hassel

•B Co Rear Ops: MSG Collins

•534th Rear Ops: SSG Thornhill

•932nd Rear Ops: 2LT Soto and SFC Villon

•224th Rear Ops: CPT Zinnante



### SUNDAY - 9 OCTOBER

SOLDIER READINESS PROCESSING – BLDG 18000 0800HRS & 0900HRS 100 SOLDIERS EACH

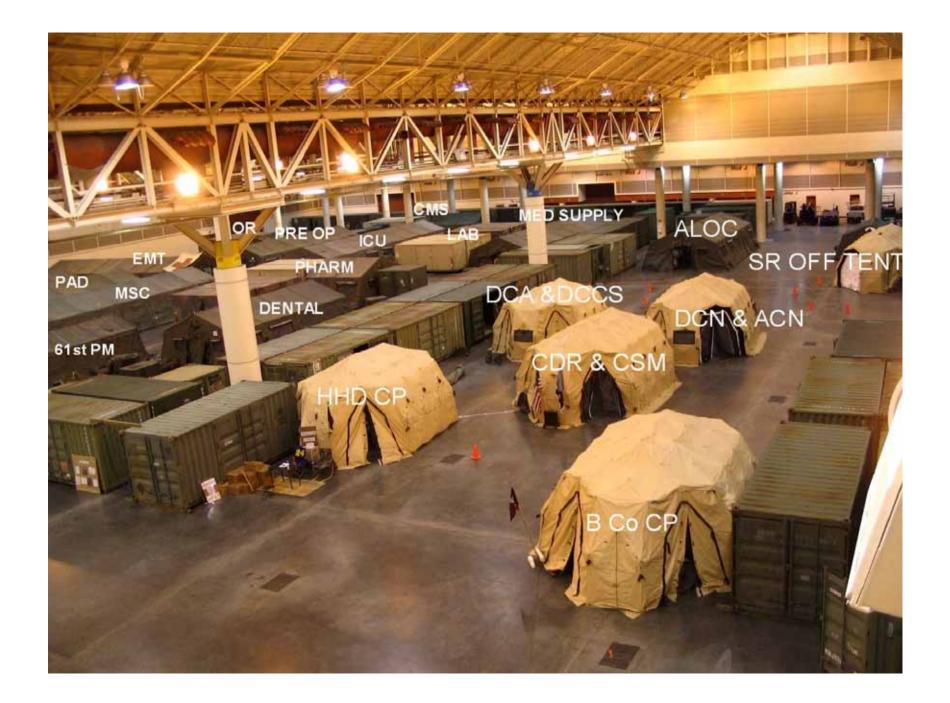
MEDICAL SCREENING
PERSONNEL (SGLI UPDATE)
LEGAL (POWER OF ATTORNEY / WILL)

PRE-DEPLOYMENT BRIEFINGS – HOWZE THEATER 1300HRS

RULES OF FORCE FRATERNIZATION STANDARDS OF CONDUCT



# Life in New Orleans...





### DINING FACILITY





ALL MEALS PROVIDED TO SOLDIERS AT NO COST

ALL DEPLOYING SOLDIERS WILL RECEIVE BAS



### MORALE & WELFARE





NO ATM SUPPORT NO MPS MAIL

LIMITED AAFES PX SUPPORT

CASH/CHECKS/DEBIT CREDIT

SPORTS
INTERNET CONNECTIONS
MOVIES
BOOKS
TELEPHONES

MAIL ADDRESS (TBD)



### **MWR**



- Direct TV
- Sprint, T-Mobile, and Cingular offering credit on phone bill for the time deployed in support of Hurricane Katrina (orders needed for proof)
- Internet
- Recreational Games
  - Basketball and footballs available
  - Basketball court available



# Life Support Area



Open Bay Housing Sectioned off by rank and gender

**Concerns:** 

**Insects & Flies (bring mosquito nets)** 

No eating in LSA!!







### **SHOWERS**



### SHOWERS AND LAUNDRY SERVICE PROVIDED AT NO COST





### GO 1 for Hurricane Katrina



- The General Order prohibits:
  - Purchase, possession, use or sale of privately owned firearms, ammunition, explosives, or the introduction of these items into the AOR.
  - Introduction, possession, sale, transfer, manufacture or consumption of any alcoholic beverage within the AOR.
  - Taking or retaining individual souvenirs or trophies. Hundreds of thousands of Americans have lost property in this natural disaster. While it may be unclear who owns the property, it is clear that Soldiers deployed to the AOR do not own the property. Soldiers will not remove any property from the AOR that they did not bring to the AOR. Additionally, the wrongful taking of private property, even temporarily, could be a violation of Article 121, Uniform Code of Military Justice.
  - Profiteering (i.e. using your position, personal property, or governmental/relief agency resources for personal profit or gain).
- This order is **PUNITIVE**.



# GO 1 for Hurricane Katrina



### **CSH Commander's Guidance**

No Alcohol For Deploying Soldiers Starting at Noon on Saturday, 8 October



## **Deployment Goals**



- Perform Primary Mission
  - Take Care of Patients in New Orleans
- Conduct Training
  - Maximize Clinician Interaction
  - Train Soldier Skills
  - Opportunities Not Available at Fort Hood
- Provide for Soldier Well-Being

FAMILY MEMBERS / FRIENDS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED
TO VISIT SOLDIERS IN NEW ORLEANS



# Command Policy on Redeployment



- •Goal = All Soldiers will Deploy & Redeploy Together
- •Current Command Policy on Consideration for Early Redeployment: Red Cross Message Situations Death of Close Family Member

Illness of Immediate Family Member Requiring Soldier's Presence Death or Serious Injury Affecting FCP

Each Situation will be handled on a case by case basis





# Rear Ops CDR/CSM

MAJ Barbara Bachman
1SG Mia Barnes





## **Responsibilities**

- FRG Leader
  - Point of Contact for family member support
  - Information network for family members during deployments
  - Coordinated FRG
     Events & Activities

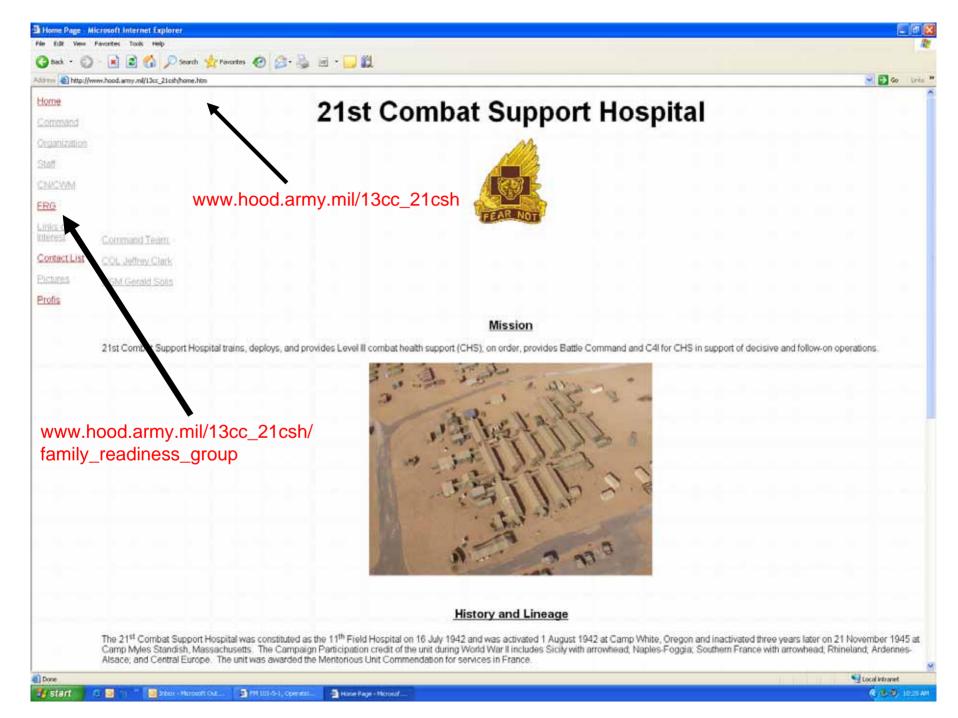
- Rear Ops CDR
  - Responsible for family readiness problems
  - Maintains regular contact with deployed unit & FRG Leader
  - Reviews/Approves
     FRG Newsletters,
     website information

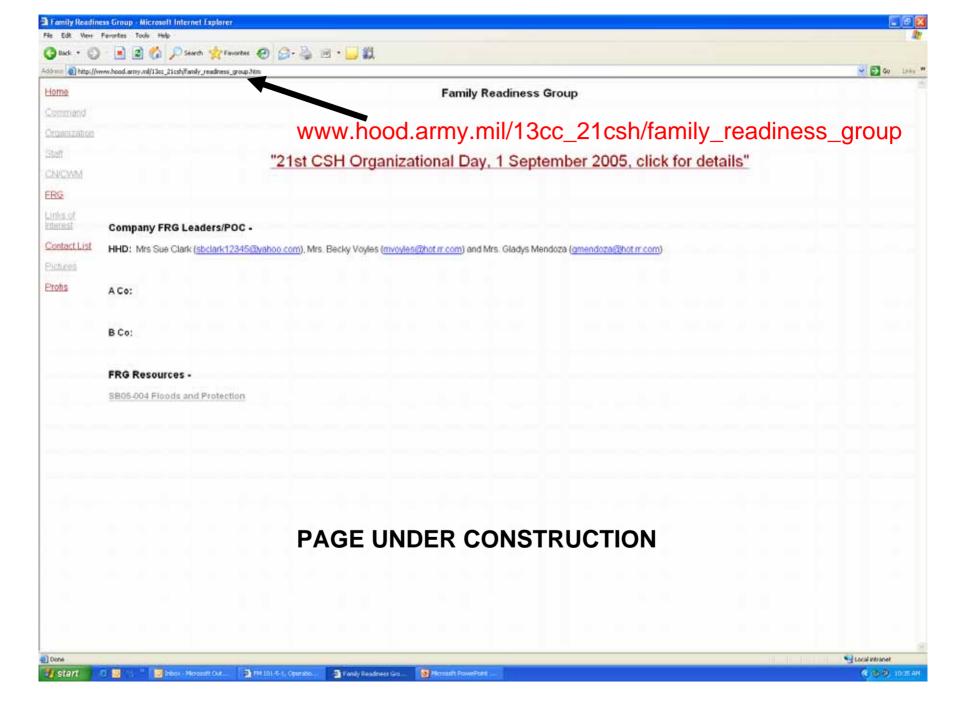




# **Expectations**

- Business as Usual
- FRG Leaders/Rear Ops Communicate
  - Weekly by Telephone/Email
  - Monthly Meeting
  - Quarterly Functions/Events
- Website







# Family Readiness Group





### Prospering During Deployment

Presented by:
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21<sup>st</sup> CSH Senior Chaplain





### Outline

- Mission and Concept
- Taking Care of Our Families
- Address Your Needs
- Things to Avoid
- Practical Ideas



### **Building Prosperity**



### **Mission**

Effective now the 21<sup>st</sup> Combat Support Hospital safely, effectively and efficiently implements the METL Task, "Provide for Soldier Wellness," IOT facilitate personal and professional development among Task Force Soldiers and their families and set conditions for quantifiable growth in their lives.



### **Building Prosperity**



Strong and capable Families

### **Personally**

Strong Well-Rounded People

> Spiritually Rooted in Soldier's Tradition

# Setting Pro Conditions for Growth

Accomplishing the Mission

Taking Care of Each Other

Taking Care of Our Families

**Promoted Soldiers** 

### **Professionally**

Tactically and Technically Proficient Soldiers

Progressing in OES/EES

Advancing Civilian Education





# Taking Care of Our Families

This briefing will offer family members of deployed soldiers resources and ideas that can empower you to prosper during the deployment.





### Addressing Your Needs (1 of 4)

We all have needs

- Physical
- Emotional/social
- Spiritual





### Addressing Your Needs (2 of 4)

### Provide for Your Physical Needs

- A sense of Safety
- Keeping Your Budget
- Eating Well
- Appropriate Sleep
- Kids Fears About Soldier's Safety





### Addressing Your Needs (3 of 4)

### Provide for Your Emotional/Social Needs

- FRG and Other On-Post Activities
- Cultivate Relationships
- Try for Routine Communication with Soldier
- Groups that Might Share Interests





### Addressing Your Needs (4 of 4)

### Provide for Your Spiritual Needs

- Connect with Sources of Meaning
- Affirming Your Heartfelt Values
- Participate in Religious Organization







### **Collective Protestant**

Sunday 0830 – 21st CSH Chapel - conducted by CH Norlien

#### Roman Catholic Mass

Sunday 1015 – 21<sup>st</sup> CSH Chapel – conducted jointly by CH Norlien and CSM Solis our Catholic Representative

Weekday – St. Louis King of France Sunday – St. Louis King of France





# Things to Avoid

- Isolation
- Over-Indulging
- Big changes in Lifestyle





## Practical helps

- Deployment resources
- Chaplains and Mental Health Professionals
- Clubs and Religious Organizations
- Family and Friends
- FRG





### Conclusion

Suggestions for Achieving Prosperity





# Questions





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